

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on January 5, 2005  
at 3:00 A.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Keith Bales (R)  
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)  
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)  
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)  
Sen. Frank Smith (D)  
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)  
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)  
Sen. Jon Tester (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch  
Annie Glover, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 107, 1/3/2005; SB 51, 1/3/2005;  
SB 22, 1/3/2005  
Executive Action: None.

00:00:03

**HEARING ON SB 107**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** SEN. FRANK SMITH (D), SD 16, opened the hearing on SB 107, Clarify conditions requiring agricultural chemical groundwater management plans.

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a01)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

Ms. Nancy Peterson, Department of Agriculture

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a02)

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a03)

Mr. John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau

Mr. Art Compton, Department of Environmental Quality

Mr. Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmer's Union

Mr. Richard Owen, Montana Grain Growers Association

Ms. Pam Langley, Montana Agricultural Business Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

00:08:38

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:15:32

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:16:08

**HEARING ON SB 51**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN (D), SD 17, opened the hearing on SB 51, Revise commodity laws.

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a04)

00:19:13

**Proponents' Testimony:**

Ms. Nancy Peterson, Department of Agriculture

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a05)

Mr. Richard Owen, Montana Grain Growers Association

Mr. John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau

Mr. Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmer's Union

Ms. Pam Langley, Montana Grain Elevator Association, Montana Seed Trade Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

00:28:31

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:30:38

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:31:27

**HEARING ON SB 22**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 22, Clarify equine massage is not practice of veterinary medicine.

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a06)

00:39:47

**Proponents' Testimony:**

Ms. Coreen Kelly, Owner, Western Montana School of Equine Massage

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a07)

Ms. Susie Foss, Rancher

Ms. Rachel Romanelli, American Massage Therapy Association,  
Business League for Massage Therapy and Bodywork

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a08)

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a09)

Ms. Betty Lynn, Lynn Quarter Horses of Montana

Ms. Stephanie Shelton, Rancher

00:57:39

**Opponents' Testimony:**

Dr. Linda Kauffman, Veterinarian

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a10)

Mr. Stuart Doggett, Montana Veterinary Medical Association

Dr. Marc Mattix, President, Montana Veterinary Medical  
Association

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a11)

**EXHIBIT**(ags03a12)

**Informational Testimony:** None

01:13:26

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:45:17

**Closing by Sponsor:**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:53 P.M.

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SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

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Annie Glover, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([ags03aad0.PDF](#))**